[Editor's Note. The vestry first arranged for paying the cost of painting the church and vestry house. Then they directed the Register to write to the Rev. Mr. Philip Hughes as follows:]

Reverend Sir

I am Directed by the Vestry to Acquaint you that they have Ordered me to Register your Induction when ever you please to produce it and have given Orders for your Admission into the Church any time when you will Attend. And the Vestry would be glad you would preach at the Church Tomorrow.

Signed p order

Cha: Groome Reg.^r

Aug. st 5.th 1769
To The Rev. d M. r Philip Hughs

Agreeable to the Order of last Vestry The Rev.^d M.^r Philip Hughs has produced his Induction to this Parish which is Entered as follows Viz.^t——

August — 7.th 1769

Maryland s. s.

Frederick absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Province of Maryland Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c.t—Robert Eden

To the Reverend M.r Philip Hughes sendeth Greeting

We do hereby Constitute and appoint you said Philip Hughs to be Rector of the Church of Chester Parish in Kent County.

To Have hold and enjoy the said Church together with all rights Profits and Advantages whatsoever appertaining to a Minister of the said Parish, and We do hereby require the Churchwardens Vestrymen and all other the Parishioners of the said Parish to receive acknowledge and assist you said Philip Hughs in all matters relating to the Discharge of your Function.

Witness our trusty and well Beloved Robert Eden Esq. Governor and Commander in Chief in and over our said Province, this fifteenth Day of July in the Nineteenth year of our Dominion Anno Domini 1769—

Signed by Order UScott. C1: Con:

I hereby certify that the Rev.^d Philip Hughs qualified as Rector of Chester Parish, by taking the Several Oaths Directed by Act of Assembly and Subscribing the Test, this 7.th Day of Aug.st 1769 before

Tho: Smyth

[Editor's Note. The Society has an original induction, dated Nov. 20, 1769 and signed by Gov. Eden and Scott, which made the